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Featured Story



National Healthy Skin Month

November celebrates National Healthy Skin Month, an opportunity to take a closer look at the natural surface barrier that protects us and how we can, in turn, protect it. Our skin, while on the outside, can be a window into what's happening on the inside, as it provides researchers with a powerful tool and platform for biomedical innovation and discovery.

Stanford Dermatology's pioneering leadership in RNA medicine, genomics, stem cell biology, rare diseases, artificial intelligence, and more yield profound insights for health—not only in understanding our body's largest organ, but overall holistic well-being as well. We invite you to learn how research taking place in dermatology is far more than skin deep.

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Stanford Medicine in the News



A new branch of oncology, cancer neuroscience, offers hope for hard-to-treat brain tumors

To drive their growth, many tumors hijack nervous system signals, including those needed for brain plasticity. Stanford Medicine discoveries are opening a promising new branch of oncology research. Learn more >



Research findings could explain why young kids rarely get very sick from COVID-19

Children's noses pack a punch that could help explain COVID-19's typically mild course in young kids. Researchers hope to parlay that 'nasal magic' into increased protections for adults. Learn more >



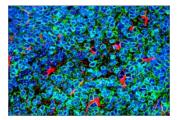
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Researchers find that clocking the age of cells could yield new therapy targets. Learn more >



Lung cancer cells covertly thrive in brain under guise of protection, Stanford Medicine study finds

Small cell lung cancers often metastasize to the brain. A Stanford Medicine study shows they thrive there by emulating developing neurons and recruiting surrounding cells for protection. Learn more >



Virtual reality helps people with hoarding disorder practice decluttering

A first-of-its-kind study by Stanford Medicine researchers lets patients practice letting go of treasured objects in simulations of their own homes. Learn more >

Leadership in the News



Dean Minor reflects on future of AI in Wall Street Journal

Speaking to why he thinks artificial intelligence is medicine's biggest moment since antibiotics, Dean Minor shares his perspective on how AI will transform the medicines you take, the care you get, and the training of doctors. Learn more (full article requires subscription) >

Stanford Medicine Honors



Two Stanford Medicine professors join the National Academy of Medicine

Bonnie Maldonado and Kristy Red-Horse join the distinguished society of physicians. Learn more >



Stanford Medicine first to receive top AMA honor three times for addressing physician wellness

Stanford Medicine was recognized by the American Medical Association for its commitment to improving physician professional fulfillment. Learn more >

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A surprise and welcome gift to Stanford Endocrinology

Harleigh Knott was a woman of great spirit and a fervent supporter of Stanford throughout her life—not only as an undergraduate, an alumna (BA '50), and an employee, but also as a philanthropist.

Well known throughout her hometown of Morro Bay for her trademark fashionable hats, which she sported while traversing the local streets on foot, and with a wide range of interests from opera to the Indy 500, Harleigh was, as friends have described her: thoughtful, eclectic, and humorous. She was also a master of the unexpected and impactful, as her generous and unforeseen gift to Stanford Medicine stands to transform the Division of Endocrinology.

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